Private and Foreign Investment in Ports

878. DR. ALLADI P. RAJKUMAR: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have identified certain port projects which would be opened to private sector investment during the next two years, as reported in the 'Andhra Pradesh Times' (Hyderabad) dated 3rd June, 1997 under the caption "Government seeks private investment in ports";

(b) if so, the details of these projects and the extent and the mode of private investment envisaged in these projects;

(c) the extent to which the new scheme would be modifying the existing pattern of such investments; and

(d) whether any proposals have been received/procured from foreign investors in this area, and if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN): (a) and (b) A list of port projects which have been identified for private sector participation in the next couple of years is given in the statement (see below). This will be done on BOT basis with the maximum concession period of thirty years.

(c) Resources of Private Sector will supplement the efforts of Ports who presently depend on internal resources, external loans & intercorporate loans.

(d) Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust has recently signed an agreement for construction and operation of Two-Berth Container Terminal on a BOT basis with a consortium consisting of P&O Ports, Australia, Konsortiurri Perkapalan Berhad (Malaysia) & DBC Port Management Private Limited India. Foreign investors have also shown interest in the projects at Tuticorin and New Mangalore.

Statement

Port projects which would be on offer in the next couple of years for private sector participation

S. No. Name of Project

Jawaharlal Nehru Port

1. Marine chemical terminal at JNPT
2. Liquid Cargo Berth
3. Six berth terminal in Nhava Creek, JNPT

Kandla Port Trust

4. Container Terminal
5. Container Freight Station at Kandla Port.
6. Various captive facilities

New Mangalore Port Trust

7. Port facilities for expansion of refinery at New Mangalore Port.

Tuticorin Port Trust

8. Construction of new outer harbour at Tuticorin Port (including modern Container terminal)

Madras Port Trust

9. Construction of new outer harbour at Madras Port.
10. Various captive LNG/Other facilities at Ennore for IPPs.

Visakhapatnam Port Trust

11. Construction of outer to outer harbour at Visakhapatnam Port (Part through Private Sector)
12. Construction of Multipurpose/ General cargo berths at Visakhapatnam.

Cochin Port Trust

13. Construction of modern container terminal at Cochin Port.
14. Construction of LPG and CNG terminal at Puthuvypeen Cochin Port.

Calcutta Port Trust

15. Cargo Handling facilities at Container Terminal at Budge Budge, Calcutta Dock System
16. Second Dock Arm at Haldia

Mormugao Port Trust

17. Construction of outer harbour at Marmugao.
18. Construction of FRH Master Plan berths at Mormugao.
19. Construction of berths west of breakwater at Mormugao.

Paradip Port Trust

20. Dry dock ship repair facilities at Paradip.
21. Upgradation of facilities for container berth at Paradip
22. Fertilizers captive handling system at Paradip.

2J. Oil Jetty at Paradip

Monitoring of ongoing projects of Major and Minor Ports

879. DR. ALLADI P. RAJKUMAR: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Cabinet Secretariat has decided to monitor the ongoing projects of the major and minor ports identified by the Ministry of Surface Transport involving nearly Rs. 10,000 crores, to facilitate speedy implementation and timely clearances;

(b) if so, the projects identified and present position of the project for con struction of a LPG jetty at Visakh Outer Harbour, which was scheduled to be completed during the Eigth Plan period; and

(c) the constraints/difficulties in completing this specific project, the revised targeted schedule for its completion and the benefits that would flow to the State of Andhra Pradesh and the country as a whole?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN): (a) and (b) The Cabinet Secretariat has decided to monitor various port projects, details of which are given in the Statement (see below). The work on construction of LPG jetty at Vis-akhapatnam Port is in progress. In civil works the progress is over 60%. The other components like Mechanical and Electrical Works, Dredging and Fenders are in tendering stage. The anticipated date of completion in December, 1997, as per work order.

(c) The major constraint in completing the work on LPG jetty was the investigation that had to be made on causes of underwater damages that were noticed in EQ-7 Berth before the work order could be issued. Delay in supply of power was also a factor impeding the progress of work. The jetty when completed will enable the port to handle 1.00 million tonnes of LPG per annum benefiting the State as well as the Country.

Statement

List of projects identified for monitoring by Cabinet Secretariat

S. No.	Name of the Port /Project	Esti-mated cost (Rs. in Crs.)
KANDLA		
1.	Construction of 3rd Oil Jetty.	19.67
2.	8th General Cargo Berth	38.82
3.	4th Oil Jetty	25.12
MUMBAI		
4.	Replacement of Submarine Pipelines.	165.15
5.	Modernisation of Marine Oil Terminal (MOT) Berths	159.65
NEW MANGALORE		238.14
£.	Crude & POL product handling facilities.	
TUTICORIN		28.64
7.	Multipurpose Cargo Berth No. 7	